

LOG OF MEETING

DIRECTORATE FOR ENGINEERING SCIENCES

SUBJECT: Industry Working Group proposal for improving the recently amended Children's Sleepwear Flammability Standards

DATE OF MEETING: June 4, 1997

DATE OF LOG ENTRY: June 23, 1997

SOURCE OF LOG ENTRY: Margaret L. Neily *M*

LOCATION: Room 714, East West Towers


CPSC ATTENDEES: See attached list of attendees.

NON-CPSC ATTENDEES: See attached list of attendees.

SUMMARY OF MEETING: On March 6, 1997, Compliance met with the American Apparel Manufacturers Association to discuss AAMA's request for an extension of the stay of enforcement and other manufacturing problems related to recent amendments of the Children's Sleepwear Flammability Standards. A working group was formed, including a number of large retailers, to develop workable garment specifications that would solve the problems discussed.

At this meeting (6/4/97) Nikki Colandra, Sears, and Beth Ann Littman, Kids "R" Us, presented the report of the working group along with a number of recommendations for changes in the Standards. In order to produce cotton garments that meet consumer's comfort, quality, and safety expectations, the group proposed a new set of garment dimensions. Fabric characteristics (stretch, recovery, and shrinkage) were incorporated in the dimensions of the proposal. Basically, (1) garments would be manufactured according to the standard pattern dimensions proposed, (2) pre-finished fabrics would have a minimum of 50% stretch and 4% recovery, and (3) finished garments would have a maximum of 8 plus or minus 2% shrinkage in length and width. The end result is intended to be garments that meet the current body dimensions of the Standards **after three launderings**.

The garment measurements at the point of sale would exceed currently required measurements at some points (thigh, upper arm, leg opening). Additional ease would be allowed for diapers; other measurements would be less than the current standard requires. Alternatives for enforcing the proposed scheme were also discussed.



ATTENDANCE

Industry Working Group Proposal Tight-fitting Children's Sleepwear June 4, 1997

NAME	COMPANY	PHONE NUMBER
Margaret Neily	CPSC/Engineering	(301) 504-0550, x2354
Nikki Colandra	Sears	847-286-4430
Beth Ann Littman	Kids "R" US	201- 980 ⁵⁹⁹ -7898
Thomas S. Lowe	J.E. MORGAN KNITTING	717-668-3330
LESLEY RINDOSH	ACTS TESTING LABS	201-470-2200
John M. Whalen	BNA	202-452-4413
Frances Valdez Valdez	JEPENDEL	772-431-1243 "FVALDEZ@JEPENDEL.COM"
Cheryl Sanboen	Talbots	(617) 741-4467
Linda Caviness	Consumer Testing Labs	(501) 273-8028
Sam Cristy	Product Safety Letter	703/247-3423
PRADIP V. MEHTA	ARMY & AIR FORCE EXCHANGE	214-312-2710
Heg Farrage	IMRA	703-841-2300
Ellen Anglin	Kmart	810 637-1546
Jocelyn Causey	Siegel, Mandell & Davidson	202-434-8728
Dennis Wilson	CPSC - COMB	301-504-0530
Alison Wolf	AAMA	703/524-1864
Rick Locken	cm	212-391-5200
Bruce Navarro	Navarro Reg & Reg APPS for Wormser Co.	202-915-6006
Jennifer Monte	AAMA	703-524-1864
Andrew Stadnik	CPSC - ES	202-504-0504 x1290
Patty Pollitzer	CPSC - OGC	301 504-0980 ext 2219
Pat Fairall	CPSC - CRM	301-504-0400 x1369
Marilyn Borsari	CPSC - CRM	301 504-0400 x1370
Carolyn Meiers	CPSC - Human Factors	301.504.0468 x1281

(Continued)

Tight-fitting Children's Sleepwear

[illegible]